## NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND REGULATIONS AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Commissioner of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, pursuant to Sections 4-168 and 22a-6 of the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS), hereby gives notice of the Department's intention to amend sections 26-306-4, 26-306-5, and 26-306-6 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

As authorized pursuant to CGS section 26-306, the proposed amendments are to update the lists of species which are endangered, threatened or of special concern. Pursuant to CGS Section 26-307, the commissioner of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection is required to review, at least every five years, the designation of species to determine whether species should be: (1) added or removed from the list; or, if necessary, (2) change the designation.

All interested persons are invited to express their views on the proposed regulations at the following public hearing:

Date: March 31, 2015

Time: 6:00pm

Location: Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Gina McCarthy Auditorium, 79 Elm Street

Hartford, Connecticut 06106

Persons may also choose to present their views regarding the proposed regulations in writing and submit them to the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection by April 14, 2015, 4:30pm. Based on public comment, proposed measures may be adjusted to meet the objective of the proposal.

Copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained online at http://www.ct.gov/deep/cwp/browse.asp?a=2586&deepNav\_GID=1511, by writing the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, Bureau of Natural Resources, Wildlife Division, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06106, or by calling (860) 424-3011. The Department has prepared a fiscal note that is available upon request for review.

Robert Klee Commissioner
Date